FACTS AND FANCIES FOR FANDOM

Salt Lake Club Secures New Lease on Walker's Field-Gossip Among Players Whose Faces

The deal for the use of Walker's field for all bareball games the coming season was closed yesterday between the Satlake Baseball club and the Walker estate. The baseball club and the Walker estate. The baseball people claim that the grounds were secured at a much better rate than has been possible herelofore, and the seal was been possible herelofore, and the seal was been gossible herelofore, and the seal was a part of the lease, agrees to make a number of improvements that will be greatly appreciated by the fans who spend a great part of the summer months at the grounds. The space included in the present entrance is to be built up as a part of the grand stand, increasing the scating capacity of the iwo stands by a couple of hundred. The old stand is to have backs put on the seats and a number of boxes will be put down in front, lickets for these boxes will be on sale up town and the fastidious fans will be able to scoure their seats in advance. The diamond will be resurfaced and the numerous canyons and mountain peaks in the outfield will be filled up and leveled off. When completed the grounds will be the finest for fast playing in the league.

While the lineup of the team for the coming season is far from being complete, yet the local club has got the names of at least six good players attached to a Salt Lake contract and is in correspondence with several more, which it is hoped will be landed within the next two weeks. The players aircady signed and whose names have been announced are Gimlin, Hausen. Pavits and Pitchers Wiggs, Quick and Essiek. This is a good start. All of them excepting Essiek are well known to local fans and are as strong as could be secured for their yarlous positions.

"I am lighter now than I was this time last year," said Ambrosse Puttmann. the former Helena and Spokane southpaw, who is pow signed by the New Younds and the fact of the ball. "Not in the for

for the bus.

"What's that cotton for?" asked one of Killen's friends. "Earache?"

"No," said Frank; "that's a little invention of my own to keep me from becoming puffed up with pride when Tebeau, O'Connor and Burkett get out on the coaching lines and call me pet names."

"If I could only speak just two onesyllable words to all the young ball players of the world." says "Pop" Anson,
"They would be 'Don't drink."
"Whisky and beer have been the cause
of the retirement of nineteen out of
every twenty men who have left the
same in the very prime of their lives.
Of the famous players who were with
me in the old pennant-winoling days I
can remember a score who allowed strong
drink to drive them into retirement almost in the zenith of their popularity.
There could be no other advise given
a young and ambitious player one-half
so valuable as the two words 'Dont
drink."

Spokane is now getting a piece of National association fustice similar to the kind handed Salt Lake in the Donahue case. Ike Durrett, the big outfielder of the Indians, is claimed by Montgomery, Ala., and it looks as if the Alabama own would make good with Secretary Farrel. Montgomery held Durett's contract two years ago when he jumped to the Pacific Coast league, then an outlaw organization. Farrell issued an order giving the clubs in the Pacific National league full ownership of any players that they might get to jump from the outlaws last season, and Durrett was induced to come over to Spokane. Now Montgomery finds out that Durrett is once more under National protection and puts in a claim for his services, with a good chance of securing them.

Relily wants to trade Wilmot out of "Sunny Jim" Shaffer and offers to give Heine Delsel for the long-nosed Butte first baseman. Wonder what has gone wrong with Delsel? Last year Spokane swiped Delsel bodily from Salt Lake. Delsel must be somewhat of a gold brick, whom Spokane is anxious to lose.

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Charles Elsey, former captain and first baseman for Spokane, and later first sacker for the Portland team, has asked President Lucas to place him on the list of umpires. He says the expense account has been cut down, but the expenses of the players have not been reduced, and he is anxious to quit the game for this year.

There is certainly one qualification Elsey has for the position—he is big enough to inspire awe in a little shortstop, and his reputation as a fighter might intimidate some of the talkative players to be a little shy on words. As far as size is concerned, Elsey has the best of any of the applicants so far by at least twenty pounds. Whether that kind of weight will have any effect on President Lucas' scales remains to be seen.

A Bellingham (Wash.) paper has the following to say of Dugdale's latest move: "D. E. Dugdale came up from Seattle and went over the baseball situation with managers of the local association. Mr. Dugdale is lending his aid to the effort to effect the organization of a league embracing the cities of Whatcom. Evertt. Vietoria and Vancouver, B. C., and possibly Sedro-Woolley and Mount Vernon. That he may take an active part in the management of the league if organized seems quite possible."

Many stories have been told of the winter job George Davis was once given in New York city hall in return for personal services for Andy Freedman, but Davis own version, as given to the writer at the time, is the best, declares Elmer Bates, the baseball man of the Cleveland Press.

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Press. "I was in Freedman's office one day," said George, "when he said to me: "Davis, you have been loyal to me. Tour name hos been entered on the pay roll down at the city half for \$550 a month. Is that satisfactory?"

"Is the work I am to do very exacting?" I asked.
"Yery, he said. Very, he said. Every two weeks you

WILLIE ON THE TURF.

New York March 5.—In turf circles the report is again current that W. K. Vanderbill, jr., is to establish a racing stable in this country. He has for several seasons maintained a large one in France. In one of the last games Frank Killen pitched for the old Pittsburg club at Cleveland, the spectators were astonished to see the visiting coaches signal the umpire's decisions on balls and strikes back to the twirler as if the latter were a mute.

After the game Killen pulled a handful of cotton from his ears and started for the bus.

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GRAFTER TOOK



JOSEPH MADDOCK. of the University of Michigan, Who Will Coach the U. of U. Athletes.

while Horatius, one of the favorites, was third. Much interest centeder in the event, as next to the Thornton stakes at four miles, it is the longest distance race in the west. Showery weather prevailed and the track was again heavy. Lord Melbourne and Our Bessie were withdrawn, leaving nine to start. Horatius and Outburst, coupled in the betting, were favorites, with

Best Man Dumps Rider, But Makes TOM JENKINS GOING a Game Run.

Los Angeles, March 5.—The San Pedro Selling stakes, the gross value of which were \$1,760 and the net \$1,390, were won by Warte Nicht at Ascot Park today from Stuyve and Reg Tag. Best Man, the fourth starter, lost his jockey at the first turn. Stuyve suffered a bad cut on his left hind leg in the crowding on the first turn. He ran a game race and was only beaten hal fa length. His owner says the injury is serious and Stuyve will be laid up for several months. Rag Tag was a close third at the finish. Four favorite swon, three of them being odds-on. The other two races went to second choices. Weater fine; track fast. Results:

First race, six furlongs, selling—Katherine Ennis won, Skirmash second, Andrattus third. Time—1:15.

Second race, five and a half furlongs—Golden Mineral won, Pat Bulger second, Foncasta third. Time—1:97½.

Third race, handicap, hurdles, one mile and an eighth—Heir Apparent won, Sir Hugh second, Double O third.

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Time—2:03¼.

Fourth race, one mile, the San Pedro selling stakes—Warte Nicht won, Stryve second, Rag Tag third. Time—1:40¼.

Fifth race, one mile, selling—Iras won, Ultruda second, Platonius third. Time—1:42½.

Sixth race, Slauson course, selling—Jane Holly won, Jim Hale second, Eugenie G third. Time—1:11.

Denver Signs a Manager.

Chicago, March 5.—Billy Hallman, who was a member of the Philadelphia National haseball team last season, has been chosen by George Tebeau as manager of the Denver team. Hallman was in the city recently in conference with several baseball men, and is enthusastic over the prospects for lively games in the Western league, and he also has the confidence of the officials of the league, like west. He goes to Denver fully equipped to make his team the best in the Western league, and he also has the confidence of the officials of the league, I have advised Flyan to take on Kinsley but for some reason he does net seem to care to," said Manager Mosconi.

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share was \$2.400.

Titus, winner of the third, was the medium of a killing, being piaged from the plesent course at the golf links, which it is foot it to 13 to 1. He led all the way, Grandpa. Nonic, the favorite, was given a poor ride by Martin. The Mist, favorite for the 2-year-old race, was inlest of the club, and it is for this reason that the club, and it is

AFTER ENGLISH GOLD

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JABS AND JOLTS OF THE RING.

Pugilists Whom All Know and What They Are Doing-Latest "Dope" From Roped Arena-Aftermath of Clifford-Markham Fight.

Neither Jack Clifford nor Tommy
Markham was any the worse off for their
fight Friday night and both were about
the streets yesterday telling their many
friends how it all happened, Jack sald
he was sure of his man after the second
round, but did not cara to take any
chances of getting one of Tommy's wallops. Markham said he was satisfied
with the decision. He said he thought
he could put Clifford away without any
training but now he thinks different. He
wants a return match with Clifford, but
says he desires at least a month's good
hard work before he trekies the Utah
lightweight champion. The men may be
brought toge her again, but as yet no
action has be a taken in this line. Markham left for Mammoth last evening in
company with Ray Barney. The latter
will try to gu a match on down there

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According to the figures given out yesterday, the receipts for Friday night's fight were \$35. Of this amount the fighters got one-half. The fighters then split the purse in two, giving Clifford and Markham \$18.75 each. It was claimed that there was about \$1.300 in the Selfoff-McCarthy house, and the receipts of the Clifford-Markham fight were somewhat of a disappointment.

One bad feature of the contest Friday night was the long waits between the events and the final. It was 10:15 before Clifford and Markham commenced festivities and the crowd showed its impatience several times. This is entirely unnecessary. All the minor details connected with the bouts should be settled long before the men go into the ring.

Eddie Hanlon refused an offer to meet Benny Yanger in a fight that had been contemplated by a Chicago club. Hanlon holds a decision over Yanger and ex-plained that it was not possible for him to make the engagement for a return match at present.

beating from Jeffries hurts physically and destroys utterly as to reputation. Muhroe will surely get his bumps from the champion."

Buddy Ryan won from Mellody in Chicago on Friday night. Mellody knocked out Otto Seiloff about two weeks ago and Seiloff won from McCarthy in this city a month ago. And yet the latter bout was billed for the white welterweight championship of the world. The turn of events since that time makes the match here look like a huge joke as far as championships are concred.

Young Gibbs is at Kansas City where he seems to have won a home. Not long ago he disposed of Denny Leary, a Kansas City fighter, who was "some goods," in an easy manner. He is now matched to fight "Brooklyn Jack" O'Brien in Kansas City on March II.

Dave Sullivan, accompanied by his trainer, Jimmy Barry, the ex-bantam weight champion, has left California for the east. On his way back home Sulli-

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was pulled off here a few weeks ago, but evidently when he saw the way in not anxious for a gaine. The men, if they are matched, will fight at catch weights.

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Hollander Named Placke Arrives in New York. Wants to Fight Jeffries.

Another prospective opponent for Jim Jeftries has arrived in this country. He is Henry J. J. Placke of Holland. Placke who was a passenger on the steamship Rotterdam, is accompanied by his manager. John Smith, and John Vanderland, a lightweight boxer of Holland. Placke, and the second at the Scashore. The Stocking feet and weighs in condition as the Judgits. He loss massive weight boxer of Holland. Placke styles himself "champion heavy weight boxer of Bolland. Placke styles himself "champion heavy weight boxer of Bolland. Placke styles himself "champion heavy weight boxer of Bolland. Placke styles himself "champion heavy weight boxer of Bolland. Placke styles himself "champion heavy weight boxer of Bolland. The is 6 feet 5 inches in his stocking feet and weighs in condition in Greater New York management to finance and control the grand circuit meeting at the scashore. Under this management there will be the in appearance. Little is known or him in this country, although he challenged Jeffries about six months ago. The champion ignored his defy, as he had never heard of the foreigner. Placke comes here well recommended as to his prowess. It is not likely he will get a chance to face the champion unless he meets someone cles first. Billy Delancy. Jeffries' manager, when apprised of Placke's visit, said: "Jeffres will fight Placke, but the Hollander will have to wait until after Jim's contest with Munroe. The champion will take Placke on two or three weeks after his scrap with Munroe. I don't know personally what Placke can do, but I understand he is a good one. I would like to see him tried out before meeting Jeffries, as the work is about as severe as any he ever tackled. Stern, an Indiana fighter, also is helping the swartny fel-Chicago. Tch 5.—Interest in the contest Monday tight between Aurello Herrera and Benny Yanger is intensified considerably by the fact that no one call learn where the Mexican fighter is doing his training work. His manager says he is training at a private gymnasium in the downtown district, but further than this there is no information to be given out. Battling Nelson is doing the boxing each afternoon with Herrera, and said yesterday he would be glad when his contract expires, as the work is about as severe as any he ever tackled. Stern, an Indiana fighter, also is helping the swartny fellow from the Pacific coast and soon will be seen in this city. Stern recently got a decision over Nelson.

Yanger is doing his work at Gilmore's at present, but in a day or so will start in at his own gymnasium on the south side. He boxed yesterday with Tommy Smith and the pair put up a rattling bout, showing that Yanger is not far from being in excellent condition. Yanger and Smith go at the work as if it was a sure enough fight.

Plymouth Rock

(Philadelphia Press.) "During one of my visits through the country districts," said the professor, "I happened to reach a small village where they were to have a flag-raising at the school house. After the banner had seen 'flung to the breeze' there was an exhibition of drawings which the pupils

.000 had made and of the work they had done during the year.
"The teacher recited to them The